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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING SATURDAY NIGHT, APRIL 13, 8 P. M.

The Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly meeting Saturday night at the Crane Lumber Company at 8 pm.

A. W. Walker, Secretary of the County Chamber of Commerce will be the guest speaker and a large attendance is expected.

The Board of Directors of the Chamber will hold their meeting at 7 p.m. the same night at the Townsite office. It is customary to hold the Board meeting just previous to the regular meeting.

Correction

Through an error the JOURNAL carried the news that the Red Top Station formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Archie Williams had been purchased by T. C. Malone.

The owners of the Red Top Station are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Blizard who bought the station from the Williams' in March, 1945. Mr. Malone recently purchased the Williams home together with 5 acres of land.

The JOURNAL regrets this mistake and hopes this will clear up the matter and that it has not caused Mr. and Mrs. Blizard any inconvenience.

New Column

(Starting with this issue the JOURNAL expects to run a new column which will bring the late news from Hollywood.)

Maidee Crawford, who is with RKO is sending in a weekly feature under the title of FILMLAND FLASHES. Miss Crawford gets her information at first hand and this should prove a popular bit of news each week. She is a property owner here and has made several friends during her short trips to Joshua Tree. Sometime soon the KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR column will carry her story which is a most interesting one.

Visitors from Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wareing, Roselle, Illinois, and son Carter, made a special trip to Joshua Tree Wednesday to look over the building situation.

The Wareings left Illinois February 13 and came out to Redlands, California, where they purchased a home. The trip west was made on account of Mrs. Wareing's health which is so much improved that they have decided, if possible, to locate in California permanently.

The desert attracted them and particularly Joshua Tree. Mr. Wareing is in the building business and if enough interest is shown in adobe homes he feels he is just the man that can build one for you. He is looking over property here and we shall probably hear more from him later. He has already listed his Redlands property for sale.

Mr. Wareing has been with the Army engineers working 11 months in Alsaka and 14 months in the Aleutians. He has had a great deal of building experience.

Carter is 4 years old and testifies to his father's ability as a builder. He says he is now building him a teeter-totter and a swing. He also told the editor that his daddy had bought him a balloon which didn't balloon any more because he had left it out in the sun and it popped.

Legion Organizes Post Here

JEFF OVERBAY ELECTED COMMANDER OF NEW POST

The newly formed American Legion Post of Joshua Tree met Thursday night in the J. J. Crane Building for the election of officers and the transaction of business.

In selecting a name, Joshua Post was the choice of all present and was adopted. The Post went on record as favoring a Woman's Auxiliary and it is estimated there are thirty-five women in this area eligible at this time.

Veterans of World War II are well represented on the list of officers and show a marked enthusiasm. A generous gift to the Post was made by Jack Crane who donated the Post colors.

NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS

The newly elected officers are as follows:

Commander—Jeff Overbay.

1st Vice Commander — Lloyd Wiser.

2nd Vice Commander—Charles Beard (War II).

Adjutant—Frank Fox.

Chaplain and Service Officer—Harold E. Wilson (War II).

Historian — Earl Warrenfeltz (War II).

Sgt.-at-Arms—Lado Starr (War II).

Liaison Officer—John W. Coulter (War II).

Executive Committee — George Bloom, Dewey Below, and Randolph Seay.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY TO BE FORMED

A group of women interested in forming an Auxiliary in connection with the newly formed Post of the American Legion met at the home of Mrs. Frank Fox on Wednesday afternoon.

Among those present were Mrs. Jeff Overbay, Mrs. J. W. Lehenbauer and daughter, Mrs. L. M. Potts and Teresa Mathews.

Inasmuch as it is necessary to have at least ten members to go ahead with the organization it was impossible to do anything at this particular meeting. Another meeting is called for next week and it is hoped at that time to have enough present to enable them to form a permanent organization.

Refreshments were served and the ladies all enjoyed seeing the garden and nursery.

With summer so near the prospect of a soda fountain or a cooling dish of home-made ice cream is something to look forward to. As for spaghetti. Well, just ask any person who likes spaghetti just what he thinks about it and he will tell you that its a dish that is good the year around. Both the de Bandrowskis and the Belows have been waiting for electricity before opening as all their equipment is electric.

OBJECTIVE, CALIFORNIA

In predicting that from 300,000 to 400,000 home-seeking World War II veterans will stream into California from all over the Nation in the next six months, two University of California survey makers shake their heads cheerlessly. For their survey also convinces them that this State will have a million unemployed before the year's end — and they conclude the veterans will make a bad employment situation worse.

With all due respect to these professional investigators, Samuel C. May and Alfred G. Norris, most Californians who read their viewpoint are likely to exclaim "Bosh!" The prediction on veteran migration appears soundly based. It tallies closely with an Army check on plans of discharged men. But the prediction on total unemployment must be little more than guesswork, because so many impondenrables enter in. So far, all alarming post-war forecasts of an enormous army of unemployed have proven wild exaggerations. Yet whatever happens, California needs and wants every one of these veterans!

If we should have an unemployment problem, we wtil need men of their caliber — with the vigor and vision and courage of young manhood that has met the stern test of war — to help whip that problem, and to help lick every other problem we have or will have. Months ago, only a few days after Japan surrendered, it was a Californian, Earl Lee Kelly of the First California Company, who declared: "In the Nation's post-war ledger, the veteran belongs in the asset column!" California is fortunate that so many veterans feel the lure of her empire.

"Objective, California!" If that is the slogan of 400,000 ex-G.I.'s, our objective should be to prepare for them a real welcome, not in mere words, but by digging in the harder to solve our housing problem and other deterrents to good living—to put our house in order to receive them!

Ed Bartlett, well - known out here, has just undergone an operation but is reported as doing nicely . Mr. Bartlett is in the Monte Sano Hospital, 2834 Glendale Blvd., Glendale, Calif. All his Joshua Tree friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Henning are entertaining Mrs. Henning's mother, Mrs. Bessie Wyckoff of Compton. Mrs. Wyckoff arrived last Wednesday and plans to stay a couple of weeks.

Col. McMillen and Wife Interested in Joshua Tree

Mr. and Mrs. McMillen who used to own a Photographic Studio in Council Bluffs, Iowa, are now interested in Joshua Tree.

Mr. McMillen (he does not care to be called Colonel) was a Colonel in the last war. He was with the 9th Armored Division sometimes referred to as the "Bridge Head Division." or the "Phantom Division." The latter title was given them because the Germans reported them as being completely annihilated at three different times. In reality they suffered about a 50 per cent loss each time.

The 9th Armored Division was a part of Gen. Hodges 1st Army. This particular division reached the Ludendorf Bridge one afternoon about 3:30 P.M. They found it was due to be blown at 4 P.M. and by the time orders were drawn only about 10 minutes were left in which to save the bridge. The boys used carbines and shot the cables as time was too short to cut them. The bridge was saved and practically all the troops were across before the bridge collapsed.

Col. McMillen said that many of the Germans surrendered with little resistance especially among the civilian population. They took about 35 truck loads of prisoners, each truck carrying 50 to 80 persons, many of whom were children and older people.

Col. McMillen had 5 months training in the Mohave Desert and it was due to this that he decided he would like to locate in the desert when he was relieved of army duty.

Bill Youker is in Wadsworth General Hospital, Veterans Administration, Los Angeles 26, California. Gail reports that Bill is getting along fine and hoping to be home in a couple of weeks. In the meantime he would probably be glad to hear from some of his friends here.

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Ross Smith and his crew returned to Joshua Tree Wednesday with plenty of materials to carry on the work of erecting the poles and getting everything in readiness for the men who will string the wires for our electric current.

Mr. Smith, Charles Murray and Paul Mangum expect to be at Rockhaven until the Easter weekend. The other two members of the crew, C. E. Rogers and Ross Baldwin, are at Melody Ranch. This is the same group that was here last week working on the poles.

Al F. Schmitt and F. Macartney arrived in town Wednesday evening with the equipment for digging and placing the poles. According to them they can average about one pole every ten or fifteen minutes. This is the best news we have had for some time as it is assurance that the work of bringing the current to Joshua Tree is progressing as rapidly as possible.

WIRE CREW DUE NEXT WEEK

Within a few days there will be another crew in town to string the wires and carry on from there until the meters and transformers are all in.

While Mr. Smith, who is in charge of the work, would not give out any information as to just when this work should be completed he did say that it would not be many weeks now until the residents would be rewarded for their patience. According to Mr. Smith the lighting of the business section is very near and the residential section will follow just as rapidly as it is possible to do the work.

This weekend the whole crew expects to work right through in order to speed up the work. After the Easter weekend they will return and will likely work 7 days a week until everything is completed.

If everything goes along as scheduled it will mean a great deal to everyone who already has electrical equipment. Electric clocks will be brought out and radios and kitchen equipment will be working overtime.

TWO NEW RESTAURANTS

The de Bandrowski and Below eating places will be able to start up in business and help to relieve the rush that is felt by the two places already established here. With the increasing crowds due to the fine weather both the Desert Steak House and Rices have done a capacity business.

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Desert Puts on Easter Raiment

The desert is beginning to put on her new spring clothes and should be out in full array by Easter.

Leaving Joshua Tree for highway 99 one comes upon wonder after wonder in the way of flowers that seem to be springing up on every side. Great masses of yellow Marigolds and purple Verbena together with many different varieties of white flowers weave a pattern like a beautiful tapestry.

Trees are leafing out. Spanish bayonets are in full bloom making a fine foil for the grey leaved shrubs growing nearby.

Joining the Highway the flowers become more abundant and in many places form regular carpets of color.

Orchards of fruit trees seem to vie with each other. Many homes along the highway have lilac or rose hedges and a profusion of Iris, lilies and other spring flowers.

Acres of wild mustard where there has been no cultivation add a light yellow carpet to break the monotony of the open spaces .

Nearing Redlands the Orange Groves look like the pictures we see on the post cards. Every visitor to California sends cards back home showing the orange trees laden with white blossoms and golden fruit. The pictures on the post cards must have been taken in April as they are perfect reproductions of the trees at this time of year.

The leaves on the euclayptus trees show a tinge of red together with the red blossoms that are typical of the particular variety that grows in this neighborhood.

Wisteria ivnes cover many of the doorways and trellises and are particularly beautiful this year. The red pillar roses and the white Callas and freezias complete the pictures in many of these vine covered homes.

Merchants may have difficulty in providing Easter raiment for human beings but nature has been most lavish. She knows only abundance.

Know Your Neighbor

A couple of weeks ago L. M. Van Slyck, of Beverly Hills stopped in the JOURNAL office to get acquainted and talk about the various trips he had taken while here on a vacation. One of the first questions he asked was "Have you ever been out to George Hill's place?" Your editor had to admit that she had not. She had lived here for a long time; had seen George almost daily when he came in town to deliver eggs or pick up his mail. To her he was "The Egg Man," and she had to admit that due to the thousand and one things that crop up into our daily lives, she had not gone any further into getting acquainted with one of the most interesting NEIGHBORS we have around here.

Our visitor offered to call and take us to see George's ranch and when the appointed hour arrived he drove up accompanied by his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Mapes and D. P. Hamer.

Arriving at the Hill ranch we were met by our host and his two dogs who all proved, by their manner, that we were most welcome. There are two buildings on the place. Both buildings were erected by George with but very little outside help.

One of the first things that attracted our attetnion were rows of green (grass to us) which we were informed was wheat. Other green rows were alfalfa. Both these were being grown for the livestock which we were to see later. While on that subject George reminisced and told of the fine corn he had grown last year and which some of his guests admitted were "the finest roastin' ears they had ever eaten." All this was planted between rows of trees. George makes use of every available bit of ground he has under cultivation.

Before we go further, you should know that there is not a bit of water on the place. It all has to be hauled miles across the desert. Knowing a bit about gardening and the unsatiable thirst of young trees, it seemed unbelievable that over 500 trees could be planted and expected to grow under such conditions. This was easily explained. George ran (he never walks) and got his post digger and demonstrated the secret. He bore a deep hole and brought up dirt that was moist enough to form a ball when squeezed in the hand. Every tree, he explained had been planted deep enough to draw the moisture from the ground and not depend upon top watering.

Before we mislead you, don't think these trees were fine nursery stock with a nice root system already developed. Oh, No! That would be the easy and expensive way. The number of trees on the Hill ranch would represent an enormous fortune if that were so. Every tree was started from a small cutting or root and to our inexperienced eyes meant only small sticks sprouting out. However, every one showed definite signs of life. Knowing the little we do about trees it is safe to predict that given a few years of sunshine and the sort of love and care they are getting it will not be too long before they will make a showing second to none in our neighborhood. In a few years the place should be a show place and one of the sights to look forward to seeing.

Along one side of the yard are many small Joshua Tree which are seedlings. Never having seen anything like this before the natural questions as to "when and how to plant" were asked and all explained in detail. We then were taken up one row and down another and shown dozens of trees of each of the following varieties: Mulberry, cork, poplar, plum, cherry, delicious apple, almond, pecan, apricot, peach, athels and acacia. There were artemesia plants, peanuts, date palms, persimmons and even coffee trees. Between the rows of trees were hundreds of daffodils and other flowering plants, together with watermelons, horseradish, onions, turnips, etc. From the garden we went to see the livestock. There were 10 white rabbits, fat and healthy looking. Knowing how hard it was to get water we naturally looked to see if there was any water in evidence for them. Oh, yes, their dishes were full. No matter what the hardship, there was plenty provided for all the livestock and we went away feeling quite easy knowing that George might go thirsty himself but never would any dumb animal suffer on his place. We saw 10 baby goats and 5 older ones and about 50 laying hens.

Athel trees (a variety of tamarix) had been planted to provide shade and as wind breaks. Here was a man who knew what was necessary and was doing all that was possible to provide comfort and good living conditions for all the animals under his care.

Evidently George's father was somewhat of a philosopher as every once in a while he would drop a pearl of wisdom in the nature of a homely saying attributed to his father. Usually it would start off with "When I was a boy my father said, etc." George was born in Tennessee but moved to Texas at an early age. He received his schooling in the school of hard knocks and the University of Experience. His is not what could be called book learning, although when we went in the house there was much evidence of good reading material scattered around.

The first house we were shown was a cement foundation and basement containing three sleeping rooms. This is where George houses his guests and after seeing it we could well understand why visitors like to stay with him. Next we were taken into the main house which is the typical bachelor's house. Everything where it is handy and all arranged a la man fashion. On the walls were some very fine pen and ink sketches of western life which were created by a man who evidently has rare talent. Different pictures and bits of information showed that there are many interesting stories to be had if one dared probe deeply into the life of this man who has picked the desert as the place to spend the remainder of his life.

When asked if he ever got tired or lonely way off by himself he replied "I keep too busy to feel sorry for myself and I never associate with sorry people. My father always told me that "when you associate with sorry folks you get sorry yourself." Quite a bit of wisdom there and the kind we all could follow to advantage.

When things seem a bit rough and the going gets a bit tough, it might be well to take a trip out to George Hill's place and see what can be accomplished when one has an indominable spirit. No odds are too great it seems for our neighbor of this week.

Desert Flora and Fauna

THE CREOSOTE BUSH

One of the loveliest of our desert shrubs is the Creosote Bush (Larrea tridentata) var. glutinosa. At this time of year it blossoms forth with hundreds of beautiful yellow blossoms.

In Joshua Tree all of our shrubs and flowers bloom later than in the lower regions and while the creosote is in full bloom all along the highway our own bushes will not bloom for another few weeks. The creosote bush is very graceful and most of the specimens are very old as one seldom sees very young plants. The seeds are very slow in germinating so that if there is a creosote bush on the place it is well worth watering and will repay your care by its beauty.

There is probably no desert shrub that responds any better to good treatment than this particular one. It has been known to withstand drought for over three years when there was not a drop of precipitation recorded. When the rains finally came it responded and again became a bush resplendent with glossy green leaves and beautiful yellow blooms.

Contrary to most beliefs most desert plants do respond to water. It is not because they do not need water that they thrive on the desert, but because they are able to withstand the terrific heat and drought.

In this part of the country the Creosote bush has erroneously been called the Greasewood bush and by many is known by no other name. But the Greasewood belongs to an entirely different plant family. It is one of the Pigweeds and grows more abundantly in Death Valley than in any other section of California.

In Mexico the Creosote Bush is of great medicinal value being used in the cure of rheumatism and as an antiseptic for wounds. The Indians used the resinous exudations for mending their baskets as it forms a waterproof scale or crust.

After the flowering period the bush is entirely covered with a mass of furry white balls which are possibly more attractive than the blossoms themselves. These are the seed pods.

In the fall many of the leaves turn brown and fall off but the bush is very ornamental and lovely the year round and well worth cultivating.

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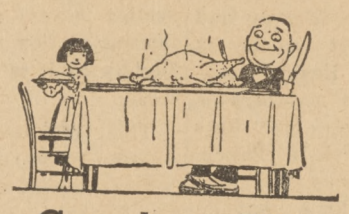

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Personal

Paul Hill who is connected with the Southwest Commission Company, main stock yards in Los Angeles, together with his partner were guests of George Hill last Friday.

George invited his guests to stay for dinner and cooked them some black eyed peas. He said the guests ate as if they really enjoyed his cooking. He did them in good old-fashioned style. Plenty of salt pork.

Woodys Emporium is doing such a rushing business that it keeps them busy going back and forth between Joshua Tree and Los Angeles to replenish their stock.

Folks from all over the valley have heard about the BIG little store and are coming from all around to buy some of the things that have been so hard to get other places.

When the store first opened Mrs. Wood planned to go to Los Angeles once a week. It then became necessary to go twice and now she sometimes has to make three trips. Regardless of the inconvenience Woody's are determined to keep the place well stocked. Browsing around the store yesterday we saw plenty of those hard-to-get work pants for men and some excellent leather work gloves. All kinds of summer togs for both ladies and men. It's surprising how many different things that small store carries.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. E. Moore and baby, Patricia Joyce are visiting Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Wood are the Joe and Woody of the Woody Emporium.

Mr. Moore was Tech. Sgt. in the U. S. Marines and has just returned from 30 months service in the Pacific where he had charge of the Post Office at one of the Marine bases.

After a short rest and vacation Mr. Moore expects to return to his former position in the Glendale Post Office.

Mrs. Eva Lawson spent the weekend with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Bob Downer in their new home here. The Downers are busy getting all furnished and fixed-up so they can take it easy when summer comes.

Nat C. Bishop showed us a copy of a citation which reads as follows:

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The Citation is signed by the officers of the district in which he served. Mr. Bishop is very proud of this citation and plans to have it framed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Hart of Altadena are camping on their lot on Desertaire Road. They arrived Friday afternoon and stayed over Sunday.

The Harts have with them, as guests, Henry Beaver of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. George Cotham of Pasadena. "We are all desert lovers and great boosters for Joshua Tree," said Mr. Hart.

The Valley Automotive Service is now owned exclusively by Harold Wilson who recently purchased his partner, Bill Herbert's interest in the business. Mr. Wilson states that as soon as the electricity is installed he plans to have a lot of new equipment.

Mrs. Harold Wilson is the JOURNAL'S Dolores Wilson who has the "Between the Book - ends" column.

Between the Book-Ends

By DOLORES WILSON

Among the currently popular books to be found at the local lending library is "Anne and the King of Siam," by Margaret Landon—which is also, incidentally being produced in a movie.

It is a true story of an Englishwoman's years spent as a governess to the royal children of the fabulous Siamese Court. It depicts not only the mystery and intrigue that is an innate part of the Far East, but, also, the lives of the victims of its governmental system. The slaves and the harem were a pathetic and down-trodden lot. The efforts Anna makes to help a few of them, provides some breath-taking incidents, as well as bringing a steady stream of "clients" to her door, and, often, the wrath of the king down on her head.

The everyday relationship between Anna and the king, was a case of one strong personality pitted against another—with Anna usually winning most of their skirmishes.

If you have a sense of humor, there are a good many laughs to be had at the pomposity and huge conceit of the king—that is, if you are not still recoiling in horror at the torture of his latest object of wrath. But, at any rate, you'll marvel at the immense wealth and splendor of his court.

The book, as a whole, being educational as it is, is amazingly interesting and easy to read. So if you've ever thought that you'd like to know a little more about the lives of the people in the Far East, without going through the Encyclopedia don't miss "Anna and the King of Siam."

Rae Morrison and Esther Johnson were guests of Joe Jackson last week end. They had one of the units in Miramonte Courts. Sunday they breakfasted on the porch then called on the Krumckes and Overbays. Miss Johnson purchased a lot while here.

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Morongo Valley

MORONGO SOCIAL CLUB INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

The regular monthly meeting of the members of the Morongo Social club was held at the home of Mrs. Marion Weir, Thursday afternoon. Installation of new officers took place and five new members were taken into the club, making a total of eighty-five members. The club hopes to double its membership during the coming year.

The outgoing officers were Mrs. M. Rosella Hess, president; Mrs. Emeline Scott, vice - president; Mrs. Dorothy Ballard, secretary and treasurer. The incoming officers are: Mrs. Dorothy Ballard, president; Mrs. Marion Weir, vice-president; Mrs. Maria Arnold, secretary and treasurer. Mrs. True Mills was appointed chairman of the Ways and Means. Big things are expected of the new members, with the full co-operation of the members the club should grow and prosper, with the park and club grounds the center of attraction. It is nearing completion with most of the steel fence in place and about a hundred trees and shrubs planted. More athel are needed as well as redwood and the season is passing fast. It is hoped that some of the public spirited citizens in Morongo will offer their services in completing the fence and caring for the trees, before the rabbits or stock destroy them.

The beautiful shag rug donated by Mrs. Stella McCullough and raffled off by the club was won by Mr. Allan Hicks. We were sorry to lose Mrs. McCullough as a member of the club.

Mrs. Arnold offered blocks for an afghan to be used as a means of raising money for the club house fund inviting the women to come to her place at 10 a.m. on the next meeting day and sew the blocks together.

An Easter egg hunt and picnic will be staged for the children of the club members near the Boboo ranch, Saturday, April 20, at 10 o'clock. Everyone in the valley is asked to come and bring a picnic lunch along.

Five new residents of Morongo valley who become members of the club were: Mrs. Maybelle Whann, Mrs. Ethel Rowan, Mrs. Dillie and daughter, Mrs. "Lucky" Rodgers and Mrs. Bettie Keaten.

Many of the members have donated two dollars each for a post in the new fence surrounding the club grounds, on which they may paint their names and claim them as their own. Just an idea but it is paying for the fence. Let's hope enough comes in to pay for it.

The birthday of Axel Rosvall was the inspiration for a delightful turkey dinner given Sunday afternoon to a number of guests by Mrs. True Mills at her home. Those who enjoyed the dinner included, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Arnold and little daughter, DeeDee, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Ojala, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Leavitt, Mr. "Mac" McGill, Mr. Pearl Bond, who recently came from Wichita, Kans., a friend of the late Jack Mills, and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hess.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Phillippi and son, Charles and Miss Betty Bumph spent three days in Morongo recently returning to their Los Angeles homes Monday. Miss Bumph and Charles Phillippi, Jr., are to be married in the Wee Kirk O' the Heather in Los Angeles April 27th. They will fly East on a two weeks honeymoon.

NEW HORIZONS

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An Open Letter to Men In High Places

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To—
The President of the United States,
The United States Secretary of State,
Members of the United States Senate,
Members of United States House of Representatives,
United States Governors,
Heads of States and Nations,

Honorable Sirs:

1—It's time for frank speaking.

2—Mr. President and all in authority, human beings the world over are fed up with war. Humanity demands there be no more conflicts.

3—For centuries governments have made a pawn of the lives of men, women and children. Stop it. That practice is forever ended.

4—All people—yes, Mr. President and all others in authority—all peoples the whole world over have had enough of fighting and dying.

5—Rulers of mankind—its high time you understood this determination now springing forth from the souls of all folks — human beings everywhere—the great, the small; the rich and the poor; black, white and yellow.

6—The common people of this globe have made up their minds to have no more war. Stop it at once. Stop wars.

7—Stop the saber rattling. Get busy Mr. Men-in-high-places, roll up your sleeves and go back to work for a world of peace—now.

8—Peace on earth and good will to all men is ringing out from pole to pole and over the seven seas.

9—Wars, for war-profits are no more—finished.

10—The peoples of the world demand peace, prosperity, safety, security and an opportunity to live their own fruitful lives.

11—Better change your tactics Mr. Heads - of - States — and get promptly a world at peace, with Security and with opportunity.

12—Sponsor humanity—alive.

13—Listen carefully.

14—Humanity demands to live—stop wars forever. Act.

Signed
ALL WORLD HUMANITY

Date—Today.

(*Press of the world — please copy. Permission granted.)

Yucca Valley

Richard Mather, piano dealer and tuner, from Alhambra, spent a few days with his good friends the Melette's. With Mr. Mather was Frank Picana also from Alhambra.

Mr. and Mrs. Rene Melette entertained Frank Cordill from Los Angeles for a few days last week.

Mrs. Robt. McGowan of 29 Palms was also a guest of the Melettes.

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Filmland flashes

By MAIDEE CRAWFORD

We shall long remember with a sadness in our heart this April Fool's Day, because we lost one of our most beloved screen "Villains," Noah Beery, Sr., who died in the arms of his brother, Wallace Beery. Just home for a week's vacation from his current appearance in a New York stage play. Noah, since early days of silent pictures, played villains and other character parts. His most noted role was the brutal sergeant in "Beau Gest."

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Sonja Henie will produce and star in an independent ice skating musical picture, probably make all interior scenes at her skating rink in Westwood.

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Sidney Skolsky, columnist, tells this one about Orson Welles. "After a brilliant success in New York, he signed to produce, write, and direct a picture. He arrived, and untouched by Hollywood, he made, wrote, directed, and acted in "Citizen Kane." It was sensational because it was different, individual. But even the great Welles was licked by Hollywood and fell into the patterns. (Hollywood moulds everyone to its own familiar pattern). After Welles became a member of the picture colony he made "The Magnificent Ambersons" which was a flop. By then Hollywood had conquered Welles, and molded him. He is merely an actor, you may observe, in typical Hollywood commercial picture, "Tomorrow is Forever." . . . The picture you've read about, heard about and waited for, with Claudette Colbert and George Brent.

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Shirley Temple, now at RKO Studios, making "Mexican Honeymoon" opposite Fanchot Tone, withstood a full day of ribbing over that premature announcement that she's to have a baby. Seems she gave a luncheon where the canapes were cut in the shape of storks and cradles. She won't tell who the expectant mother might be.

"Ziegfeld Follies," the greatest name in the world of the theater, comes to the screen with melodies made immortal by world renowned composers, costumes of fabulous beauty, settings encompassing all the magic of fairyland, and more stars than there are in the skies, (even desert skies). M-G-M's Technicolor musical was premiered before an audience of Hollywood's greatest stars, Monday, April 8, at the Egyptian Theatre Hollywood. The picture, directed by Vincente Minnelli and produced by Arthur Freed, began an extended engagement at the Fox Ritz, Egyptian and Los Angeles theaters Tuesday, April 9.

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Born in Tokyo . . . yes, Joan Fontaine and her sister Olivia de Havilland, were actually born in the Japanese capital, but they know nothing about the place, their parents moved to San Francisco when they were infants. . . . Alexander Knox, who portrayed Woodrow Wilson, in the film by that title, was born in Canada. Bob Hope in England, yet a typical American.

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Wondering how actresses can wear male attire so effectively on the screen? America's wives can provide the answer: they've been wearing the trousers in the average household for some time now.

See you later. . . .

Flying News From 'K' Field

Soaring activity was prevalent over the weekend when several glider enthusiasts explored the thermal currents over Violet dry lake. Among those present was John Robinson, National Soaring champion, and Ronnie Stewart, his crew chief, also Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stewart.

Overnight guests from South Gate were Carl Ziler who bases his sailplane here, his brother S. T. Ziler, Bill Blount, Fred Hunsiker and Otis Smith. The latter two flew out in their Stearman tow plane.

Flying visitors from Pasadena were Mr. and Mrs. Don Downie and Mr. and Mrs. George Rex, who spent the weekend at the Sam Bailey residence. Sunday, Don Downie and George Rex flew the Schwiezer sailplane while the Bailey children went for a ride in the Piper Cub.

Dr. Clide Kennedy and Bob Fittsue flew their Fairchild PT-19 from San Diego to visit Dick Lambert and family at Twentynine Palms. Adding more flying time towards their pilots license were Paul Renner, Bill Royal, Dick Sullivan and Dick Mayo. Clarke Ferry spent his usual Sunday afternoon here flying and chatting. Doug. and Elwood Hartzell brought out some of their heavy equipment in preparation to lengthen the northwest, southeast runway to 3000 feet.

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First Wednesday each month Yucca Valley Womans Club
First Friday of each month 2:30 p.m. Board meeting of Joshua Tree Women's Club. Watch bulletin board for meeting place.
Second Saturday of each month 8 p.m. Chamber of Commerce meeting. Board meeting 7 p.m. same night. Watch bulletin board for place of meetings.
Third Friday of each month 2:30 p.m. Joshua Tree Women's Club meeting at Club House, Joshua Tree.
Every Saturday night, dance at Yucca Valley School House, sponsored by Yucca Valley Women's Club.

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